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06                   UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
07                   WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
08                   AT SEATTLE

09         ROBERT MITCHELL,                           ) CASE NO. C08-0980-MJP-MAT  
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11         Plaintiff,                                      )  
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13         v.                                                ) ORDER STRIKING AND  
14                                                          ) RETURNING PLAINTIFF'S FIRST  
15         RODNEY ASKELSON, et al.,                    ) SET OF INTERROGATORIES  
16                                                          )  
17         Defendants.                                    )  
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20         Plaintiff is a Washington state prisoner proceeding *pro se* in this civil rights action pursuant  
21 to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. On November 18, 2008, the Court issued an Order regarding pretrial  
22 preparations. (Dkt. No. 55). This Order established deadlines for completing discovery and filing  
dispositive motions. On January 22, 2009, plaintiff filed with the Court his first set of  
interrogatories. (Dkt. 78). Having considered this discovery request, the Court does hereby find  
and ORDER:

23         (1) Plaintiff is advised that requests for discovery should not be sent to the Court but  
24 rather to the opposing party. The Court's role is limited to resolving disputes regarding discovery  
25 if they arise. Therefore, the Clerk shall STRIKE plaintiff's first set of interrogatories (Dkt. 78)

01 and return it to plaintiff.

02 (2) The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Order to plaintiff, to counsel for  
03 defendants, and to the Hon. Marsha J. Pechman.

04 DATED this 23rd day of January, 2009.

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06 Mary Alice Theiler  
07 United States Magistrate Judge